

COUNTRY Soviet (Soviet Zone) CONFIDENTIAL REPORT NO. [REDACTED]
 TOPIC Volkspolizei Dienststelle in Hohenstuecken

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EVALUATION [REDACTED]PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT prior to April 1951

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DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED]DATE PREPARED 6 July 1951

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REFERENCES [REDACTED]PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. In April 1951, the Volkspolizei Dienststelle (VPD) in Branden-
 burg-Hohenstuecken (N 53/Z 23) was located in the barracks instal-
 lation on Musterwitzerstrasse. The VPD numbered about 1,200
 police. [REDACTED] It was organized into 4 Kommandos and 7 Sonderab-
 teilungen. *

2. Officers of the VPD included VP Inspekteur Wagner, (fnu),
 commanding officer; VP Rat Krone, (fnu), chief of staff; VP
 Inspekteur Sterner, (fnu), PK officer; and VP Rat Burg, (fnu),
 commanding officer of 1st Kommando.

3. The VPD was armed with 2 T-34 tanks, 3 Soviet SP guns allegedly
 of 88-mm, 3 Soviet guns allegedly of 150-mm, 1 x 50 - mm AT
 gun, 12 x 80 - mm medium mortars, and 1 x 120 - mm heavy mortar.
 The heavy weapons were stored in a shed and taken out for
 training only at night. The equipment of the VPD included 2
 ammunition carriers and 3 pontoons. **

4. Inadequate issue of ration supplies to the dependents in
 February 1951 precipitated a mutiny, whereupon heavy prison
 sentences and furlough restrictions were meted out. About
 100 police left the VPD between December 1950 and April 1951. [REDACTED]

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* [REDACTED] Comment. Previous reports stated that the VPD in Hohen-
 stuecken, [REDACTED] numbered 2,000 police.
[REDACTED] However, it is believed that this
 VPD also numbers about 1,600 police.

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** [REDACTED] Comment. Probably [REDACTED] 85-mm SP guns, 152-mm
 howitzers, and 57-mm or 45-mm AT guns.

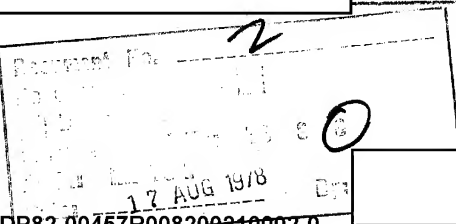
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